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The present Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted within three months of the filing of the present application.

European reference 850 602 discloses an electric toothbrush. This reference is discussed in greater detail in the specification of the present application and the Examiner's attention is respectfully directed to that discussion.

German reference 197 45 876 discloses a brush portion for an electric toothbrush.

German reference 1 212 036 discloses an electric toothbrush.

Applicants do not have readily available English language translations of these two references.

The present invention defines a specific accessories mount for an electric toothbrush which is not believed to be disclosed by the enclosed references.

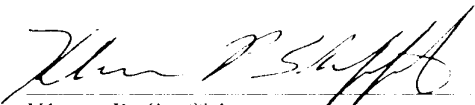
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